

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Support for the amendment to the specification is found on page 12, lines 1-4, page 13, lines 14-18 and on pages 23-24 (Tables 4 and 5) and Figures 1-14 as filed.

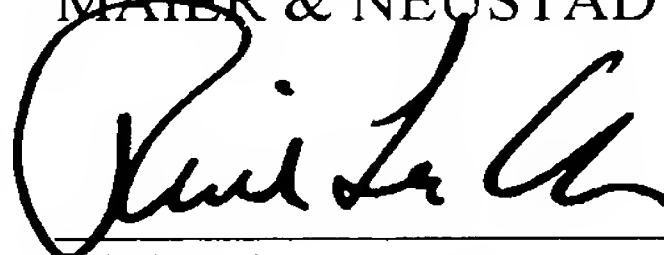
Upon entry of this amendment, claims 1-18 will remain active in this application.

Applicants wish to thank examiner Crepeau for the helpful and courteous discussion held with their U.S. representative on October 25, 2011. At that time, the examiner expressed his concern that applicants' specification lacked a "Brief Description of the Drawings" section. Applicants have now amended the specification to include the requested section.

Applicants submit that this application is now in condition for allowance and early notification of such action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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